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1912
Catalogue
OF
Choice Strawberry Plants
Grown and for Sale
BY
H. H. BENNING
CLYDE, N. Y.

No. 1216

STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE
CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION OF
NURSERY STOCK

This is to Certify that the berry plants of H. H. Benning, of Clyde, County of Wayne, State of New York, were duly examined in compliance with the provisions of Section 305 of the Agricultural Law, and were found to be apparently free from any contagious or or infectious disease or diseases, or the San Jose scale or other dangerously injurious insect pest or pests. This certificate expires September 1. 1912.

Dated, Albany, N. Y., October 28, 1911.

*R. A. PEARSON,
Commissioner of Agriculture.*

General Remarks

Please Read Before Ordering

I have decided to send out this modest little circular instead of a large and expensive catalogue; preferring to save this expense and give customers the benefit by selling plants at the lowest possible price.

I grow my own plants and all are freshly dug when shipped. The entire row is taken up, discarding small, weak plants. Plants are covered with straw during the winter.

Owing to the extreme drought of last year over a large portion of the United States, the supply of plants this season will be short. Many reports making it but one-half of an average crop. I have a limited supply of good stocky plants and would advise growers to send in their orders early. Early shipments are usually most satisfactory. Plants weigh less and live better when dug and shipped early, while dormant. Early orders can also usually be filled without substituting.

Notwithstanding the scarcity of plants you will notice that my prices are low for good Northern grown. Am sure I can please you should I receive your order, either large or small.

I take extra care to have my plants true to name, but in case any should prove otherwise, I will not be responsible for more than the amount paid me for the same.

Every order is promptly acknowledged by card. One or two cent stamps taken for orders less than one dollar. **1F OF ONE VARIETY** six at dozen rates; fifty at hundred rates; five hundred at thousand rates. A discount of 5 per cent. will be allowed on all orders amounting to \$15.00 or more.

Varieties marked (P) have pistillate blossoms and will not fruit unless planted near some variety having perfect blossoms, which are marked (S); but when so planted are the best yielders.

All questions relating to strawberries promptly and cheerfully answered; also criticism, favorable or otherwise, will be thankfully received.

Cash must accompany all orders.

Reference: Briggs National Bank, Clyde, N. Y., or the Postmaster of Clyde.

Description of Varieties

August Luther. (S). The best very early Strawberry. It is very prolific and comes early and retains its size till nearly all the fruit has ripened. A good shipper.

Aroma. (S). A late variety. Firm and good shipper. Medium size and good quality. Does best on rich soil.

Beder Wood. (S). A grand, medium early berry, of good size and immensely productive. Light color and long season. Has a long blooming period, making it an excellent pollener.

Bubach. (P). This is probably the most popular berry in the country. Makes a moderate number of strong, stocky plants. Berries are large, showy and of good flavor. You make no mistake when you plant Bubachs.

Brandywine. (S). Season medium late. The berries are large, heart shaped, firm flesh and medium red color. Have a rich spicy flavor. A valued variety.

Cardinal. (P). A vigorous, firm, productive and handsome berry. Holds up well after shipping and is a good market variety. Dark, rich flesh and excellent quality. Season medium to late.

Crescent. (P). This old variety has held its own longer than any other that has been introduced for twenty-five years. It still retains its strong, vigorous habits and is very productive of medium-sized, bright red berries.

Clyde. (S). Very popular in some sections. Fruit nearly as large as Bubach and sets an immense load of fruit. More than it can mature in a dry season. Smooth and uniform in shape. Long season.

Corsican. (S). Large and uniform in shape. Color, bright red. Healthy and vigorous foliage. A medium late, firm berry.

Chesapeake. (S). A berry perfect in form, quality and firmness. The plants are large and vigorous; no rust and no weakness of any kind. Large and productive.

Dollar Mark. (S). Plant large and deep rooted; withstands both drought and freezing. Berry large, fine flavored and one of the best shippers. An excellent pollinizer.

Gandy. (Semi-Staminate). The standard late berry all over the country. Does best on moist soil. Medium large.

Glen Mary. (Semi-Staminate). Large, handsome and of fine flavor; vigorous and productive. Many place this variety at the head of the list. Makes just enough plants for a good stand.

Haverland. (P). Exceedingly productive; fruit large; one of the most popular and well tested varieties. A good sure berry for main crop.

Heritage. (S). A very promising new berry. Large and deep rooted plant. Berry large, dark and fine flavor. Begins to ripen in mid-season and continues to give plenty of good sized berries until late.

Jessie. (S). A very large fine flavored berry for home use. Many use it for fertilizing Bubach.

Marshall. (S). A large fancy berry, especially for the Eastern portion of the United States. One of the richest strawberries grown. Foliage large and beautiful.

Michel's Early. (S). One of the earliest berries grown; medium size, light color and fine flavor. Last pickings rather small.

Nick Ohmer. (S). A strong, perfect blossom variety and productive of large, dark glossy berries. Responds to good culture.

Norwood. (S). A grand berry of recent introduction. Two years ago, plants sold for \$10 a dozen. I have a limited number of large, stocky, genuine Norwood plants, originated on the grounds of Mr. N. B. White, of Norwood, Mass. Below is Mr. White's description: "The plant is strong and healthy, making a liberal, but not excessive, number of strong runners. The berry is regular in shape. The quality is unsurpassed and the size unequalled. Color, bright red all the way through; firm, a good keeper and will ship well. Holds its size well through the season and remains in bearing a long time." Every one should try at least a dozen of these plants.

Parson's Beauty. This variety produces great yields of medium sized, bright red berries of a deliciously mild flavor. Well suited to cold latitudes.

Pocomoke. (S). Very productive and adapted to all soils. Withstands dry hot weather. Berry large, firm and great yielder; good flavor; good shipper.

President. (P). A very large, beautiful berry of fine flavor. Plants large and robust. A little soft for shipping, but a fancy berry for home market. Does best on rich soil.

Pride of Michigan. (S). A comparatively new variety and growing in popularity. Medium size, firm, dark glossy color. Plants vigorous and a strong fertilizer.

Prolific. This variety originated at the Geneva, (N. Y.), Experiment Station and is said to be a cross of the Sample and Marshall. I will quote the Station's description: "Plants very numerous, vigorous, unusually productive, yielding on the station grounds at the rate of 14,000 quarts per acre. Fruit very large, to above medium, retain size well as season advances, roundish conic to blunt wedge shaped, attractive bright scarlet; flesh firm. This variety gives promise of taking front rank among standard commercial strawberries."

Sample. (P). This is a beautiful large berry and one of the largest and most prolific. Bright red, uniform size and has a smooth, glossy appearance. A very good market berry.

ORDER SHEET

HARVEY H. BENNING, CLYDE, N. Y.

Write Name and Address very plainly.

Name of Buyer.....

Post office..... *County.....*

State..... Express Office.....

Ship by *On or About*
(Mail or Express)

Date of Order.....191...

EARLY in the season I usually have everything listed in my catalogue, but late in the season I frequently run out of some of the varieties; therefore when you order late please state here whether I shall substitute something equally as good and as near like the variety ordered as possible, or return your money for any stock that I may be out of. Will not substitute except when necessary.

Answer.....

Please Write Below the Name and Postoffice Address of Such of Your Friends as Would be Likely to Send Away From Home for Strawberry Plants.

Senator Dunlap. (S). One of the best standard sorts and deservedly popular. Resembles Warfield in color and canning qualities, Bloom rich in pollen. Medium early.

Stevens' Late Champion. (S). A good all-around, large, late berry that does well on a great variety of soils. A good fertilizer for sample.

Three W's. (S). A popular mid-season variety. Fruit large, good quality, has a long season and is a good shipper.

Tennessee Prolific. (S). A great yielder of medium sized late, sweet berries. A good canner and fine shipping berry.

Uncle Jim. (S). A comparatively new berry but is one the most profitable. Plants large and free from rust. Berry large, regular form and medium late. A good fertilizer for Bubach.

Virginia. (P). A rather firm, productive early berry. Plants free from rust. Does better on heavy than on light soil.

Warfield. (P). A well-known standard variety and very productive. Mid-season, medium size, dark red and a very choice berry for canning. For this purpose, it will usually bring two cents above market price.

Wm. Belt. (S). A standard for quality. A good bearer of medium late, large berries. Holds out well through the season.

Price List--1912

	By Mail Postpaid	By Express Charges Paid by Purchaser	
	12	100	300
			1000
August Luther.....	\$.25	\$.50	\$1.25
Aroma.....	.25	.50	1.25
Beder Wood.....	.25	.50	1.00
Bubach.....	.25	.50	1.25
Brandywine.....	.25	.50	1.25
Cardinal.....	.25	.50	1.25
Crescent.....	.25	.50	1.00
Clyde .....	.25	.50	1.25
Corsican.....	.25	.50	1.25
Chesapeake.....	.25	.50	1.25
Dollar Mark.....	.25	.50	1.25
Gandy .....	.25	.50	1.25
Glen Mary.....	.25	.50	1.25
Haverland.....	.25	.50	1.25
Heritage.....	.25	.50	1.25
Jessie.....	.25	.50	1.25
Marshall.....	.25	.50	1.25
Michel's Early.....	.25	.50	1.00
Nick Ohmer.....	.25	.50	1.25
Norwood .....	.25	.60	1.50
Parson's Beauty.....	.25	.50	1.25
Pocomoke.....	.25	.50	1.25
President.....	.25	.50	1.25
Pride of Michigan.....	.25	.50	1.25
Prolific .....	.25	.50	1.25
Sample .....	.25	.50	1.25
Senator Dunlap.....	.25	.50	1.25
Stevens' Late Champion.....	.25	.50	1.25
Three W's.....	.25	.50	1.25
Tennessee Prolific.....	.25	.50	1.25
Uncle Jim.....	.25	.50	1.25
Virginia .....	.25	.50	1.25
Warfield.....	.25	.50	1.00
Wm. Belt.....	.25	.50	1.25